## ACTRESS-AUTHOR SHOOTS HERSELF

Mrs. Eleanor Merron Cowper Commits Rash Act in St. Regis Hotel.

FIRST WROTE NOTES TO

Followed the Example of a Friend, Who Had Collaborated With

Notified Her Friends.

Before making the attempt at selfdestruction, Mrs. Cow'per had written
a number of letters—one to her lawyer, to take charge of her baby; another fo the coroner, a third to an
undertaker, and a fourth to John Hood,
a friend, apprising them of her intention to commit suicide.

At about the moment Mrs. Cowper
pressed her finger to the trigger of
the revolver, the letter addressed to
John Hood was being delivered. Mr.
Hood glanced through the first few
lines and ran to the St. Regis Hotel.
The clerk secured a pass key and hurried to the room of Mrs. Cowper, accompanied by Mr. Hood and a maid.
They found Mrs. Cowper lying in bed
with a pillow still over her head and
the revolver clutched in her hand. The
bed clothing was stained crimson.

small chance to live, and to remove her to a hospital would probably

Kallebrun Hecame Enraged When His Request for Money Was Dealed.

NEW YORK, November 27.—With aim so deadly that all five shots he fired took effect, William Kallebrun, of Jersey City, to-night shot and Killed his brother. Leo, and then his agad mother, Mrs. Victoria Kallebrun. Three bullets were Gred into the body of the murderer's brother and two into his mother.

The tragedy took place in the apartments of Mrs. Kallebrun in this city. Kallebrun had come from Jersey City with a friend, Albert Trogunwycs, to secure money from his brother. Leo, and the shooting resulted from the fact that Leo would not give his brother themoney. Trogunwycs, the only witness to the shooting outside of the three members of the family, stood perrified with fear as he saw Kallebrun shoot down his brother and his mother. Kallebrun was arrested. At the police station he told his friend, Trogunwycs, that he was dazed, and did not know what he had done.

## SEARCH FOR NEGRO

Made an Attempt at Assault.-Woman Escaped With Baby. Escaped With Baby.

Ellaville. Ga. November 28.—
Great excitement prevails here to-night on account of an attempted assault committed this morning near kere. While alone in her home with her babe. Mrs. Andrew Tellars, wife of a farmer, was confronted by an unknown negro, who threatened death if she screamed. Instead of making an outcry, the lady selzed her child and dashied from the dwelling, leaving the negro invader in full possession Rushing to the held where her hushand was engaged, she gave the alarm, but the negro escaped.

One negro his been captured and held for more complete identification. Two hundred armed men are searching the woods of Schley county for the negro who made the attempted assault.

'IS WOMAN CRAZY?

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PARIS, November 27.—The case of
Madame Steinhiell, who was arrested
in this city yesterday after a day of
sensational developments in the matter
of the murder of her husband and but
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hands of M. Leydett, the examinity
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charge of aiding and abetting in the
murder of her husband and stepmother.

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A Talented Woman.

In a biographical sketch prepared by herself, Mrs. Cowper stated she was born in England, and that she came to this country at the age of three months. Her maiden name was Eleanor Merron. Her siage career began in Boston in a production called "Youth." Mrs. Cowper gives a list of the various productions she appeared in.

Mrs. Cowper wrote four plays, which were produced on Broadway. They were "Dairy Farm." "In Love." "A Broadway Favorite" and "A Last Rehearsal."

Mrs. Cowper refers to the fact that her husband, Archibaid Cowper, was an actor, and that he died three years ago. Practically her only home life, she wrote, was when she lived on the farm of James H. Wallick, at Middletown, N. Y., who collaborated with her in the number of plays she wrote.

Followed Friend's Example.

Measure Relicated Blue and Creates Political Stituation. London, November 27.—The House of Lords calculation this evening by rejecting bill by a vote of 272 against 96. The Liberals are likely to a stitution this evening by rejecting bill by a vote of 272 against 96. The Liberals are likely to a stitution this evening by rejecting bill by a vote of 272 against 96. The Liberals are likely to a stitution this evening by rejecting bill by a vote of 272 against 96. The Liberals are likely to a stitution this evening by rejecting bill by a vote of 272 against 96. The Liberals are likely to a fair the local struation this evening by rejecting bill by a vote of 272 against 96. The Liberals are likely to a stitution this evening by rejecting bill by a vote of 272 against 96. The Liberals are likely to a stitution this evening by rejecting bill by a vote of 272 against 96. The Liberals are likely to a stitution this evening by rejecting bill by a vote of 272 against 96. The Liberals are likely to a stitution this e

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## FEARS FOR THE DIX

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The Dix is the largest of the army transports. She sailed from Seattle October 15th. and left Honolulu for Manila October 39th. She should have arrived at Manila about November 21st.

Friend Accidentally Shoots Him While Hunting on Thanksgiving Day, PENSACOLA, FLA., November 27.—A telegram received here to-day told of the death of Judge J. C. McKinnon, of Marianna, Fla., due to being accidentally shot while, hunting Thanksgiving Day," The deceased, who had been probate judge of Jackson county for twelve years, was out hunting with friends.

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Frank H. Hitchcock, Repub- Rear-Admiral Cowles Tells Chairman Sereno Payne lican National Chairman, for Postmaster-General.

## THINK HIM PECULIARLY FITTED FOR THE PLACE

dvice Will Be Invaluable in Apintments, and He Has Acted as Head of Department Before-Timothy Woodruff

to Confer on the

Senatorship.

OT SPRINGS VA. November 27.

—Frank H. Hitchcock has been offered and has accepted the position of Postmaster-General official announcement of this of President-elect Taft, will not be made until Mr. Taft pleted his Cabinet, at which ll be announced en bloc, Beshould be fixed, at least principals are concerned, understanding

ist between them.

Fulton, of Orecess had an y this afternoon in filiscuss the fairs with Mr. To

Operation Performed.

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WITHDRAWING TROOPS

Governor Willson, of Kentucky, Thinks Night filding is at an End.

HOPKINSVILLE, KY., November 27, —The withdrawal of troops from the fucky began to-day. The first camp abandoned was at Hickman, where recently a family of negroes were murted, before the proper of the troops by cittzens who fear that the might rider activity will be resumed in those, districts.

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WILL INDICT

\*\*Mill Frustrate Attempt at Habens Corpus in Night Rider Cases.\*\*

UNION CITY, TENN, November 27,—It was stated by one of the attorneys in the night rider case that the grand jury would return either to-day or to-morrow ladictments against the leight supposed night riders now held in jail at Nashville and that a capias would be sent there at once for the trest of the eight supposed night riders now held in jail at Nashville and that a capias would be sent there at once for the trest of the eight supposed night riders now held in jail at Nashville and that a capias would be sent there at once for the trest of the eight supposed night riders now held in jail at Nashville and that a capias would be sent there at once for the trest of the eight supposed night riders now held in jail at Nashville and that a capias would be sent there at once for the trest of the eight supposed night riders now held in jail at Nashville and that a capias would be sent there at once for the trest of the eight supposed night riders now held in jail at Nashville and that a capias would be sent there at once for the trest of the eight supposed night riders now held in jail at Nashville and that a capias would be sent there at once for the trest of the eight supposed night riders now held in jail at Nashville and that a capias would be sent there at once for the trest of the eight supposed night riders now held in jail at Nashville and that a capias of the eight supposed night riders now held in jail at Nashville and that a capias would be sent there is one of the trest of the eight supposed night riders now held the providers was that the boys would not work the riders was that the boys would not with the committee of a large extent highen the ride

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man of Manufacturers.

THE TARIFF INQUIRY

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the Committee Is "Radically,

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VAN CLEAVE SCORES

of the Great Need of the Navy.

WE HAVE NOT ENOUGH SHIPS TO CARRY COAL

Had Foreign Complications Arisen or Combination Been Effected, Battleships Would Have Been Useless-He Recommends the Building of More Colliers.

ASHINGTON, D. C., November 27.—Had foreign complications arisen, or had a combination been effected between foreign ship-owners, our fleet might have had to remain lying helpless in some foreign porties is the observation made by Rear-Admiral William S. Cowies, chief of the equipment bureau of the navy, in his annual report in discussing the lack of colliers necessary to supply the battleship fleet with coal on its cruise around the world.

Not Enough American Ships.

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the National Association of Manufac-turers, declining to appear before the committee, and criticizing the methods being pursued in revising the tariff. "Of course, if you have no information at your disposal which would aid the The total number of American ves-

understanding is ween them.

Well Equipped.

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The store of collers for the navy.

There should at least be one for every two units, with sufficient capacity for supplying four vessels.

A total of \$36.359 tons of coal, costing, the party will be not to you, should you reconsider your determination. Concluded Mr. Payne.

Van Cleave Declines to Appear.

In his letter to the chairman of the Ways and Means Committes, which was in reply to an invitation to testify say in the party will be not be seldes these had chairman admittent comprehensive, as the United States. of the United States.

Success of Wireless

that time it was estimated that her swindling operations had aggregated \$1,000,000.

The district attorney's office was asked two weeks ago to investigate an alleged swindling scheme which had been worked on the firm of Norman & Wilson by a woman calling herself Eliza Knight. The story they unearthed, and which resulted in Mrs. Peck's arrest to-day, had its beginning away back in 1795, when James Monroe, later President of the United States, was Governor of Virginia. In that year Governor Monroe granted to Alexander Walcott 550,000 acres of land supposed to belong to the States of Virginia. Subsequently the States of Virginia and Kentucky appointed a commission to fix the boundary line, and it was decided that the lands granted to Walcott lay within Kentucky. In 1850 the Supreme Court of Kentucky declared Walcott's title to the land invalid, and that persons to whom Walcott or his heirs had sold portions of the tract had no title. It was this land that Mrs. Peck mortgaged for \$2,000, her arrest following.

### IS NOT RECOGNIZED

Hayti's "Paper" Blockade Will Be Ignored by This Government.

WASHINGTON, D. C., November 27.—
Hayti's "paper" blockade of the ports of Aquin and Jeremie, which the government admits its inability to make effective by force of arms, will not be recognized by the State Department.

This is in accord with the traditional policy of the American government. Notice to this effect has been sent to American Minister Furniss at Port-au-Prince, who cabled that he had been notified that the ports declared closed to commerce by the Haytien authorities, who also had been declared closed to commerce by the Haytien authorities, who also had notified the local steamship agents that merchandise for them must be landed at the capital.

Acquiescence in this, the minister said, would seriously affect American firms which have sold to houses shipping through Aquin and Jeremie, the greater part of the merchandise for the ports coming from the United States. At no other place, Mr. Furniss says, has the government force to maintain a blockade.

Other features of the ministers adfloes are that the government of Hayti acknowledges the revolutionists have Jeremie, and that the Secretary of the Interior is a prisoner in their hands.

"We would rather bear the ills of the Dingley tariff than to be a party to a tariff revision made in the old manner. To appear before you to plead for certain schedules would be to acquiesce in the superficial and unbusinesslike methods of investigation against which we protest.

"We have carefully watched all the statements that have been made by you and your associates in recent years, and instead of convincing us of the errors of our ways, we are more than ever convinced that your present plans of gathering information, on which the readjustment as proposed is to be based, is wrong—radically, absurdly, fatally wrong."

The Automobile Trust.

has the base of the nation of New York, left in the selection of the nation of the nat The President has now concluded that public discussion of alleged defects of battleships will not serve any good purpose, and officers will be held to a strict accountability in this respect.

All attempts to break this trust ha failed because of its foundation in United States patent, which is a mopoly granted by the government. WILSON ON TARIFF

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## **CONFIDENCE QUEEN**

Arrested for Fraud in Connection with Land Grant 118 Years Old.

NEW YORK, November 27.—Ellen E. Peck, the "Confidence Queen" of thirty years ago, about whom columns have been written, and to whom Inspector. Byrnes devoted several pages in his "Frofessional Criminals of America," was arrested to-day on the charge of getting \$2.000 from the firm of Normand & Wilson.

\* Mrs. Peck gained her first notoriety thirty years ago, when she swindled B. T. Babbitt, the soap manufacturer, out of \$19,000. She now owns to seventy-nine years. Little has been heard of her since 1905, when she was arrested for swindling Frank Repetit, a Chicago hotel man, out of \$900. At that time it was estimated that her swindling operations had aggregated \$1,000,000.

The district attorney's office was

## SUIT IS CONTINUED

American Tobacco Company Must Walt Decision of Federal Court. NEWARK, N. J., November 27.—The suit of the American Tobacco Company against R. P. Richardson, Jr., and

pany against R. P. Richardson, Jr, and Company, of North Carolina, to compel the transfer of the stock of the defendant company to the American Tobacco Company, in compliance with an alleged agreement, has been indefinitely continued.

The suit was to have come to trial in the Chancery Court next Wednesday. To-day, however, counsel for the Richardson Company asked Vice-Chancellor Howell for the postponement of the trial, on the ground that the suit could not be deelded until after the United States Supreme Court had decided the pending suit of the government against the American Tobacco Company, for the American Tobacco

## LAMPHERE IN PRISON

Says He Will Apply for Pardon After

michigan Citt, Ind., November 27.

—Ray Lamphere was brought to the State prison here late to-day by Sheriff Smutzer, of Laporte, to serve from two to twenty-one years on conviction for burning the residence of Mrs. Gunness, Lamphere will not be assigned to work for several days. Lamphere's number is 4041.

Visited by Mother.

LAPORTE, IND., November 27.—Before Ray Lamphere was taken to the State prison in Michigan City to-day he received a visit from his aged mother, who came from South Bend. The mother wept convulsively as she clasped her son in her arms. Tears also came to the prisoner's eyes.

Lamphere said he intended to become an exemplary prisoner, so he would get the benefit of the allowance for good behavior. He said he hoped to be parceled after his first two years.

Attorney Worden announced to-day that he would make a motion before Judge Richter for a new trial. If the motion be denied, Mr. Worden says he will appeal the case.

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ONE HUNDRED DROWN

Consting Steamer in Philippines Sinks With Laborers on Board.

MANILA, November 28—The coasting steamer Pontins, carrying a large number of laborers from Narvacan to the rice-fields in Pangashaan province, struck a rock and sank last night during a stirm of laborers from Narvacan to the rice-fields in Pangashaan province, struck a rock and sank last night during a stirm of laborers from Narvacan to the rice-fields in Pangashaan province, struck a rock and sank last night during a stirm of laborers from Narvacan to the rice-fields in Pangashaan province, struck a rock and sank last night during a stirm of laborers from Narvacan to the rice-fields in Pangashaan province, struck a rock and sank last night during a stirm of laborers from the stand as the rice-fields in Pangashaan province, struck a rock and sank last night during a stirm of laborers from the stand of the rice-fields in Pangashaan province, struck a rock and sank last night during a stirm of the passen, and in laborer from the stand of the resolution of the passen, and in laborer from the stand of the resolution of the passen, and the worked of the ponting were drowned. The steamer Viscay regarder from the stand from the various rates of the various rates of the various rates of the various rates of the interstate Commerce Commission, who is assisting District Attorney Marble, at the interstate Commerce Commission, who is assisting District Attorney Marble, at the interstate Commerce Commission, who is assisting District Attorney Marble, and the unit of the passen, was the provided that the rate from Riemmond to Lunder, and the unit of the passen, and the laborer from the stand of the various rates of the most carnest consideration for a week by President Eliot and the unit of the passen and the pass

# GATES QUIETLY WERE FORGED

Admits Johnston Was "Down and Out" Unless He Could Get Special Rate on Grain

SWEARS GILBERT O. K.'D FAKE ORDERS

Agent Chappell Testifies That C. & O. Tried Vainly to Reimburse Other Roads After False Billing Was Laid Bare - Carter Mild With Witness.

ORROBORATIVE in many essential particulars of the testimony given by H. Ollie Gates, star witness for the government in the prosecution of Alexander P. Gilbert, assistant general freight agent of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company, on trial in the United States District Court, for rightings of the interests company.

ment of cars, in which W. R. Johnston & Co. had been allowed the advantage of the through rate.

Failed to Settle With Roads.

He told of the railroad's activity in taking immediate steps to even up with the allied roads, and of the latter's refusal to accept terms. The especial feature, in which his testimony agreed with that submitted earlier in the day by Gates, was in that each stated Gates had frequently been given claims against the railroad and had settled them personally.

The object of this, as alleged, was to avoid surrendering the original bills of lading for reconsigned shipments which might have led to investigation and disclosure.

Gates was the second witness at the morning session. He reiterated confessions of false expense bills and bills of lading, and described how he had on numerous instances gone to Gilbert with the forged papers, and secured his authority to reconsign cars to the

on numerous instances gone to Gilbert with the forged papers and secured his authority to reconsign cars to the South. Mr. Carter, who conducted the cross-examination of Gates, did not fire his questions as vigorously as had been anticipated, but confined himself chiefly to repeating questions that had been asked and answered when Gates appeared before the hearing conducted by Commissioner Lane, in February last, which resulted in the indictment.

Explaining Discrepancies.

In one particular the witness's testimony differed from that previously taken, and when it seemed that contradictory statements were to be charged against him, he explained probable discrepancies by saying that Attorney Marble had pushed him so closely by rapid-fire questions at the former hearing that he was not responsible for statements made at the November 27. closes, former hearing that rought to the sponsible for statements made at sponsible for statements made at time. Scarcely more than fifteen time. Scarcely more than fifteen time. Scarcely more than fifteen time.